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- 7. (Amended) An endoscope, comprising a disposable cartridge for the invagination of an endoscopic tube, which has:
  - an invaginator which is a thin-walled tube, formed by small layers and/or pleats in the shape of a compact hollow cylinder, which has a gap with the distal part of the endoscopic tube.
  - a seal between the endoscopic tube and the uneverted end of said invaginator,
  - a shell of said invaginator, commensurate to the diameter of said invaginator and to the length of
  - a preservative of the distal part of the endoscopic tube.
- (Amended) The endoscope according to claim 7, wherein said cylinder has a compactness, which ensures said gap in the process of invagination of the endoscopic tube.
- 8. (Amended) The endoscope according to any of claims 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, further comprising a seal of the endoscopic tube, which hermetizes a cavity of the everted part of said invaginator.
- 10. (Amended) The endoscope according to any of claims 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, further comprising a spring of said invaginator.
- 11. (Amended) The endoscope according to any of claims 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, further comprising a removable tip of the endoscopic tube.
- 12. (Amended) The endoscope according to claim 11, wherein said tip further comprises a protective glass.
- 13. (Amended) The endoscope according to claim 12, wherein a cavity of said tip communicates with a cavity of intestines.
- 14. (Amended) The endoscope according to any of claims 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, further comprising an anal dilator.
- 15. (Amended) The endoscope according to any of claims 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, wherein the endoscopic tube further comprises a distal drives of traction lines, bending its distal end, which are cylinder-piston units, connected to the pressure of gas or liquid.
- 16. (Amended) The endoscope according to any of claims 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, further comprising a biopsy forceps, which are a flexible hermatic tube, on the distal end of said tube is placed a piston of biopsy channel.
- 17. (Amended) The endoscope according to claim 16, further comprising a distal drive of traction line of a cutters of said biopsy forceps.
- 18. (Amended) An endoscope comprising a mechanism for introduction of an endoscopic tube, which is a cylinder-piston unit, connected to the pressure of gas or liquid.

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Faithfully Yours,

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